## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 4, please amend the final paragraph beginning "In operation..." as follows;

"In operation, vendors that wish to offer goods for sale through the PPS must register (Fig. 2) their store or site with the PPS. Organizations (non-profit or otherwise), causes, or other entities that want to receive votes, credits, or commissions from the sales through the PPS must also register (Fig. 3). Users who want to shop and have their cause or organization receive credit for their purchases must shop through the PPS and select the recipient for the credit (Fig. 4) or pre-register their preferences (Fig. 5). Internet sites that wish to run a contest to poll particular demographic opinions can establish webpages according to the present invention to allow users to vote on the contest winner by applying credit ("votes") from purchases towards a selected candidate."